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In re Application of:

SUNDREHAGEN et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extend pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for ONE (1) month to February 10, 2001.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a) for a one month extension of time is \$55.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Small entity status has been established. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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